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Appellant(s): Triantopoulos et al.

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## REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING UNDER 37 CFR §1.194(b)

Sir:

Appellants hereby request an oral hearing of the Appeal for the above-referenced application. This Request is believed to be timely filed, in that the Examiner's Answer was mailed on January 29, 2004, and the term for filing the present Request, therefore, expires twomonths from that mailing date, i.e., March 29, 2004. Please charge the fee of \$290.00 to Deposit Account No. 20-0776. Also, please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to this Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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